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An Indian student will receive the ultimate campus visit by winning the 2011 Mindful Leadership Competition, sponsored by the University and academic partner Loyola Institute of Business Administration (LIBA) in India.

Shaan, a Symbiosis Institute of Media and Communication student, will receive an all-expenses paid trip to the University of Dayton where she will observe classes, check out the Center for International Programs and meet with American and international students to discuss what it's

like to study in the U.S.

Shaan's trip to Dayton will be a recruiting trip of sorts, according to Sundar Kumarasamy, vice president for enrollment management.

"The Mindful Leadership Competition allows us to show the students in India what the University of Dayton means by educating students to become global, ethical and mindful leaders," Kumarasamy said. "Our goal for them is to gain some insight about the University of Dayton's educational philosophy and to encourage them to share their experiences with other students in India."

Shaan beat approximately 130 others whose goal was to write an essay about "Empowering Women Entrepreneurs: Wake-up call for India Inc."

"By focusing on ways to enhance women's participation in the workplace and marketplace, the entrants in the Mindful Leadership Competition have demonstrated the important contributions women can make towards a more just, economically vibrant future for all," said Matthew Shank, dean of the University of Dayton School of Business Administration. "I look forward to welcoming Shaan to the U.S. and to our campus and hearing first-hand her ideas for greater women's involvement in the business world."

Parul Behl of the Ramjas College and Hari Shanker R. of the Government Engineering College finished second and third, respectively, and received cash prizes.

In its fourth year, the competition has become very popular. The number of participants jumped from 80 a year ago to 130 this year. National Indian news outlets, including The Hindu and Times of India, cover the competition.

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